



## The Heart Ministry Health Center

*Caring for one another enabled us to genuinely care for others*

### The Mission

The Heart Ministry Center is located at 22<sup>nd</sup> and Binney Street across from Sacred Heart School and in close proximity to Blessed Sacrament School, St. Richard's School, the Jesuit Middle School, and the Omaha Street School. The Center serves some of the city's poorest citizens with 30% of the households living under the poverty line. Plans were underway to place health clinics within public schools, leaving children in the parochial and private schools vulnerable and unserved.

### The Benefits

**The establishment of a health clinic at the Heart Ministry Center made sense for all the right reasons.**

#### For the Community:

- There was an immediate need for acute care for the families living in the Sacred Heart neighborhood as well as a need for disease prevention and health promotion programs.
- The health of families contributes to the overall health of the community.

#### For Creighton:

• The Health Ministry Clinic provides an interdisciplinary and holistic approach to health care. Not unlike many other undertakings at Creighton, this establishes a venue for students and faculty from many disciplines to work together to provide care and services. Expertise from a variety of disciplines (Nursing, Pharmacy, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Dentistry, Social Work, and Medicine) is essential for comprehensive, compassionate, and competent care.

#### For the Heart Ministry Center:

- The Heart Ministry Center has an established clientele that regularly receives ancillary services. The provision of health care serves to supplement the services already being provided.
- The Heart Ministry Center was designed to offer health care and health promotion programs and had been seeking a partner to provide these services.

### The Team

Cura Personal extends to the whole team.

Care of the "whole person" starts with service providers. The Heart Ministry Health Center is comprised of a team of caring individuals. Each brings a unique personal and professional perspective. Over time, with joy in our hearts—caring for each other enabled us to care for those served by the center.



Nursing



Medicine



Social Work



Nursing and Pharmacy



Dentistry



Pharmacy, Physical and Occupational Therapy

### Ignatian Values

**"Cura Personalis."** Latin phrase that translates as "care of the entire person." It is an Ignatian value that permeates through Creighton University and all that it embodies. "Cura Personalis" suggests individualized attention to the needs of the other, distinct respect for his or her unique circumstances and concerns, and an appropriate appreciation for his or her particular gifts and insights.

### The Projects

Current services offered at the Heart Ministry Health Center include clinic hours for acute medical needs, sports physicals, vaccinations, health screenings and preventative health services, accessing social services, health education sessions, diet monitoring, dental services, and partnering with local grade schools for health care services and educational programs.

